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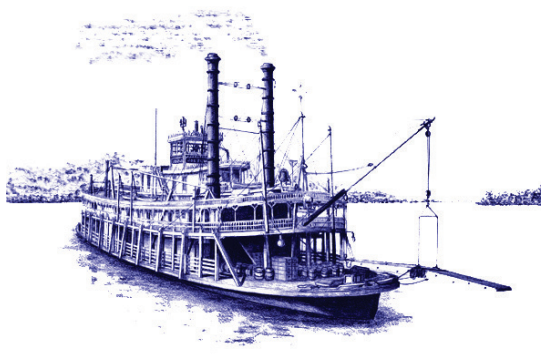

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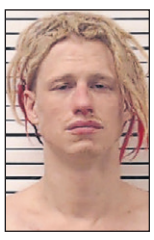
Madison man steals, crashes ISP truck hours after release from jail

BY COURIER STAFF REPORT

A Madison man is accused of stealing an Indiana State Police vehicle from the driveway of the trooper's Jefferson County residence and then crashing it just a couple of miles minutes later just a couple of miles from the scene.



Vincent L. Wiefling

At approximately 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 24, the trooper reported that the truck belonging to the Indiana State Police was stolen from his residence on State Road 62 in rural Jefferson County, said Sgt. Stephen Wheeles, spokesman for the ISP Versailles Post.

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Sheriff's office investigating 3 booms reported over weekend

BY COLLIN OVERTON
COURIER STAFF WRITER

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office is investigating a series of loud booms this weekend that have residents on both sides of the Ohio River guessing the source as anything from Tannerite detonations to earthquakes to the sonic boom from planes passing overhead.

Chief Deputy Josh Taylor said his officers were looking into three incidents of possible explosions over the weekend — one Friday, one Saturday and another Sunday. Officers were still unsure of a location Monday morning, but think the sound might have originated in the area between Chicken Run Road and State Road 256 west of Madison, Taylor said.

The sheriff's office received numerous calls from residents guessing that the noises came from Hereford Lake, Jefferson Proving Grounds and even across the river in Trimble County, where the noises were detectable and residents posted about hearing them on Facebook. Residents on other local social media reported the Sunday boom shaking their homes and rattling windows.

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Driver crashes during police pursuit

BY COURIER STAFF REPORT

Jefferson County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jeremiah Luellen, 45, Dupont, for resisting law enforcement and invasion of privacy after police chased him from Dupont to Lanier Drive near the Business and Industrial Federal Credit Union Saturday evening.

Chief Deputy Josh Taylor said officers were responding to a complaint that Luellen had allegedly invaded someone's privacy through text messages when they spotted him in the Dupont area at around 8:30 p.m. Luellen took off in his vehicle and led police on a chase that finally ended when he crashed on south State Road 7 in Madison.

The City of Madison Police Department assisted in ending the chase by deploying a tire puncture device at around Duffy Avenue, said Chief John Wallace. Shortly after, Luellen lost control of his car and crashed into a ravine along Lanier Drive near Rabbit Lane and Wells Drive, Wallace said.

Taylor said Luellen was transported from the scene to King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison and later transferred to University of Louisville Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Taylor said the incident is still under investigation and exact charges are pending but that they would range from resisting law enforcement to invasion of privacy. He was not listed as incarcerated at the Jefferson County Jail on Monday afternoon.

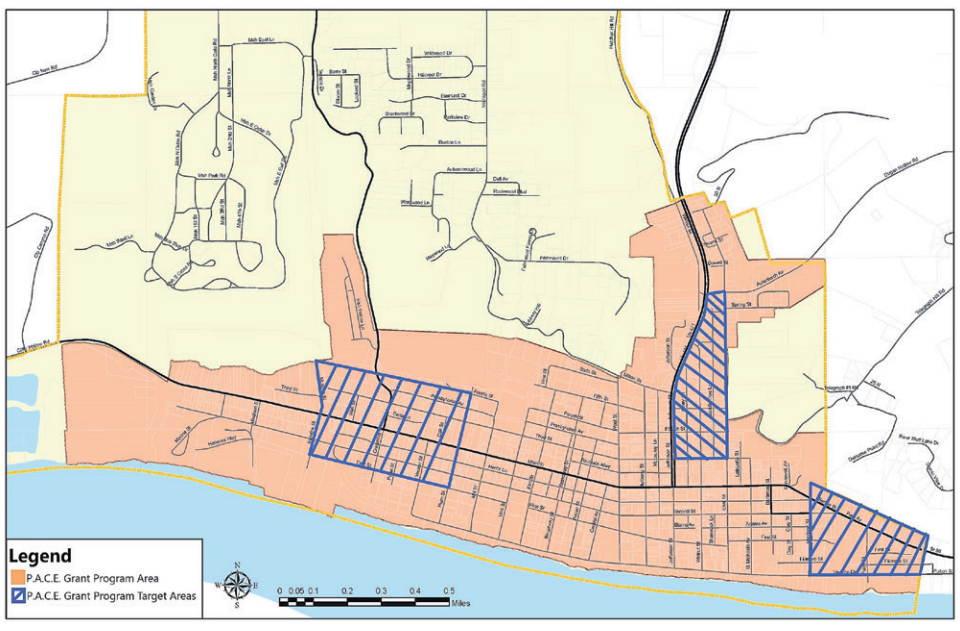
PHOTOS BY DAVID CAMPBELL

A tow truck recovers a car involved in a pursuit with local police after the driver lost control at a tire puncture device and crashing down a ravine in the 2100 block of Lanier Drive on Saturday night.

Luellen previously was arrested in a similar incident in May of 2017 on another invasion of privacy charge in which he led police on a chase through several county roads and southbound onto S.R. 7, according to a post from the sheriff's office. Police deployed tire deflation devices and punctured one of his front tires in that incident before later forcing him off the road near the roundabout on U.S. 421 and pursuing him on foot. Sheriff's deputies arrested Luellen and charged him with resisting law enforcement and invasion of privacy.

Madison Police Department officers look over a car involved in a pursuit with the Jefferson County Sheriff Department on Saturday night. The driver lost control at a tire puncture device and crashed down a ravine in the 2100 block of Lanier Drive.

Madison sets May 4 PACE grant deadline



City of Madison

The City of Madison's Preservation and Community Enhancement (PACE) grant program map with the three additional target area highlighted.

BY SPECIAL REPORT TO THE COURIER

Madison City Council approved amendments to the Preservation and Community Enhancement (PACE) grant program ordinance at its last meeting.

The amendments to the PACE grant program allow the city to now provide grants up to $25,000.00 for eligible projects. In addition, the City of Madison has been working on changes to the program guidelines and grant scoring system.

Since the PACE ordinance amendments were adopted after the initial deadline for the second quarter funding meeting, the city will begin accepting applications for the additional programs — the Dilapidated Structures Grant, the Dangerous Buildings Grant or for projects located within the PACE Program Target Areas — immediately.

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Health officials ready new guidelines as restrictions ease

BY KEVIN FREKING AND MIKE STOBBE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Businesses should close break rooms. Restaurants should consider disposable menus and plates. Schools should have students eat lunch in their classrooms.

These are some of the recommendations offered in new federal plans designed to help restaurants, schools, churches and businesses safely reopen as states look to gradually lift their coronavirus restrictions.

The draft guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has been sent to Washington but still could be revised before the Trump administration unveils it to the public. The recommendations were obtained from a federal official who was not authorized to release them publicly.

The CDC put together so-called "decision trees" for at least seven types of organizations: schools, camps, childcare centers, religious facilities, mass transit systems, workplaces, and bars/restaurants.

White House officials previously released a three-phase reopening plan for the nation that mentioned schools and other organizations that come back online at different points. But it hadn't previously offered more specific how-to guidelines for each kind of entity with specific steps they can take.

The new guidance still amounts to little more than advice. State and local officials will be the ones to adopt and enforce them. Some state and local governments have already put rules in place for businesses that are operating. For example, Michigan requires businesses to limit how many customers can be in a store at one time.

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State at 15,961 COVID cases, Jefferson Co. 26

BY COURIER STAFF REPORT

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Monday announced that 963 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at ISDH, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and private laboratories. That brings to 15,961 the total number of Indiana residents known to have the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day's total.

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Virus expected to reduce meat selection, raise prices

BY DAVID PITT
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DES MOINES, Iowa — Meat isn't going to disappear from supermarkets because of outbreaks of the coronavirus among workers at U.S. slaughterhouses. But as the meat plants struggle to remain open, consumers could face less selection and slightly higher prices.

Industry leaders acknowledge that the U.S. food chain has rarely been so stressed and that no one is sure about the future, even as they try to dispel concerns about shortages.

On Sunday, the meat processing giant Tyson Foods ran a full-page advertisement in the New York Times and other newspapers outlining the difficulty of producing meat while keeping more than 100,000 workers safe and shutting some plants.

"This means one thing — the food supply chain is vulnerable," the statement said. "As pork, beef and chicken plants are being forced to close, even for short periods of time, millions of pounds of meat will disappear from the supply chain."

Company spokesman Gary Mickelson said the Tyson family thought it was important to explain their perspective.

"The letter encourages government leaders to unite to address food supply chain challenges," Mickelson said. "We are taking a proactive approach to balance safety and production by moving aggressively with testing and plant closures when necessary."

COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus, has infected hundreds of workers at meat-processing plants and forced some of the largest to close and others to slow production. While the output at beef and poultry plants has diminished, pork plants in the Midwest have been hit especially hard. The viral outbreaks have persisted despite efforts by the meat companies to keep workers at home with pay if they become sick.

The 15 largest pork-packing plants account for 60% of all pork processed, so when even one of those plants closes for days or weeks, the consequences ripple across the industry. That has become abundantly clear with two of the nation's biggest plants now closed: Tyson suspended operations at its plant in Waterloo, Iowa. And Smithfield Foods halted production at its plant in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Each plant can butcher nearly 20,000 hogs a day. Some plants have reopened days after cleaning.

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The result is that the nation's pork processing capacity had declined by about 25% as of last week, said Steve Meyer, an industry economist with Kerns and Associates in Ames, Iowa.

Sarah Little, a spokeswoman for the North American Meat Institute, an industry trade group, said: "It's down across the board right now, so the next couple of weeks we should see how the system works. It's never been tested like this before."

A beef production plant in Green Bay, Wisconsin, is the latest to shut down because of infections among employees. JBS USA said the JBS Packerland plant, which employs 1,200, would be closed temporarily. As of Monday, 255 employees at the plant tested positive for COVID-19, said Claire Paprocki, a spokeswoman for the county health department.

Nationally, although the reduced meat supply is expected to cause consumer prices to rise, expectations are that the increases will be slight. The U.S. Department of Agriculture said late last week that it expects beef prices to climb 1% to 2% this year, poultry as much as 1.5% and pork between by from 2% and 3%.

The agency acknowledged that consumer buying patterns change weekly and that some products face supply-chain disruptions that could affect prices. But the USDA said its planned $3 billion purchase of fresh produce, dairy and meat should help stabilize prices. The government will work with food distributors to provide the purchased products to food banks, community and faith-based organizations and other nonprofits serving the needy.

The United Food and Commercial Workers International Union, which represents 1.3 million food and retail workers, said last week that 13 U.S. food-processing and meatpacking union workers in the U.S. have died and that an estimated 5,000 are sick or have been exposed to the virus while working near someone who tested positive.

Marc Perrone, the union president, said 13 plants in Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Wisconsin and Alberta, Canada, have been closed at least temporarily because of the pandemic. Those union plants represent about 10% of beef production and 25% of pork production, the union said.

The union is urging state and federal officials to ensure that workers have access to protective equipment, mandate social distancing at work and halt federal waivers that allow faster line speeds.

Many employees of the meatpacking plants fear going to work, said Margarita Heredia, who has worked at the JBS pork processing plant in Marshalltown, Iowa, for 11 years. She joined a UFCW union call with reporters to discuss the pandemic's effects on workers.

Heredia credited the company with improving sanitation, including treating hallways and common areas with bleach and placing hand sanitizer stations around the plant. JBS also now takes workers' temperatures and encourages those who are sick to stay home. But she said the company increased pay by $4 an hour from April 20 through May as an incentive for healthy employees to go to work.

"Even then, we're still shorthanded, but we are trying to do our best," she said.

The national slowdown in meat processing has surfaced in federal statistics. The daily cattle slaughter for the week of April 13 fell nearly 24% from the same period a year ago. Pig slaughter was down 13%. And given the most recent plant closures, those figures have likely fallen further.

So far, the meat-processing industry has been able to shift production to open plants to keep a stream of meat moving through the supply chain, said Little, of the meat institute. Some plants that closed have reopened after deep cleanings.

"When one plant goes off-line, the others in the region can try and pick up the slack," Little said.

The situation would be more dire if not for record amounts of meat in cold storage, though much of the meat was intended for restaurants that now are largely closed.

The USDA last week reported 921 million pounds of chicken in storage and 467 million pounds of boneless beef, including hamburger, roasts and steaks. Before much of that meat could be sold at markets, it would need to be repackaged because restaurants buy in greater bulk than individuals. Some of the meat would need to be cut by grocery store meat cutters and packaged for customers to take home.

In late March, the USDA eased restrictions to allow for meat that had been intended for commercial food use to be diverted into the grocery store channels for consumers The industry sought these changes in mid-March after brief meat shortages caused by the coronavirus panic sent people scurrying to grocery stores.

Industry reports indicate that fresh pork purchases surged 102% for the week ending March 22 compared with the same period a year earlier. Beef sales were up 91%. Chicken purchases grew by about 71% earlier in March before slowing. Still, chicken, pork and beef purchases are still about 30% above year ago levels in recent reports.

"By and large, there's been enough food," said Jayson Lusk, an economist at Purdue University. "You might not get your exact variety that you want or the exact type you want, but there's been food available if you have the money to buy it."

Religious freedom attorneys pick their battles amid pandemic

BY ELANA SCHOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — As states grapple with when and how to reopen establishments amid the pandemic, religious freedom remains a legal flashpoint — particularly for the conservative nonprofits that have taken a leading role in representing churches which have challenged stay-home orders.

At least a dozen state or federal suits filed since the virus outbreak started have focused partly or fully on freedom to worship in person, according to an Associated Press analysis.

Those lawsuits break primarily into two strategies. Both camps — which include legal nonprofits with significant experience in court battles over religious liberty — see an opportunity to advance their cause by taking on some state and local faith gathering limits ordered during the pandemic.

But while some suits are framed as full-throated defenses of the right of religious assembly, others have employed narrower strategies. While a few pastors have grabbed headlines by defying public health orders with large services, some of the nonprofits have found success defending a less polarizing practice: drive-in worship designed to gather the faithful in person, at a distance.

First Liberty Institute President Kelly Shackelford, whose conservative nonprofit has represented churches challenging drive-in service limits in Kentucky and Mississippi, said his group has discouraged other attorneys from taking virus-related cases that may set unwelcome precedents. The institute has focused on actions that specifically target religious entities, not actions that are being imposed more universally, he said.

The 23-year-old group's website on coronavirus notes that short-term gathering limits which cover religious as well as secular meetings "are okay," so long as they don't become permanent. It also represents a trio of churches that won approval of drive-in services in their home New York county without filing a suit.

Shackelford said success hinges on finding the balance between public health and religious freedom: "When is the government going too far? What's appropriate, how does a religious entity navigate this?"

Another nonprofit that's taken on multiple religious freedom cases during the pandemic, the Alliance Defending Freedom, also has targeted restrictions on drive-in worship. The alliance, a legal advocate representing Christian conservative issues, is a powerful force: It reported spending more than $54 million on its most recent tax return.

A 'new normal', as Georgia restaurants allowed to reopen

BY KATE BRUMBACK AND RUSS BYNUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAVANNAH, Ga. — With tables wide apart and staff wearing masks, some Georgia restaurants reopened for limited dine-in service Monday as the state loosened more coronavirus restrictions, but many eateries remained closed amid concerns that serving in-house meals could put employees and customers at risk.

The dine-in service and movie screenings were allowed to resume a few days after some other businesses, including barbershops, gyms, tattoo shops and nail salons, began seeing customers. While many of those establishments gratefully opened their doors Friday after a month-long closure, others did not feel ready. A similar mixed response played out Monday.

"We're ecstatic to have them back," said Chris Heithaus, who manages 87 Waffle House restaurants in coastal areas of Georgia and the Carolinas. "A lot of people, I think, want to get back to the new normal, which will be social distancing and all that. But they will be able to eat inside the restaurant."

The "new normal" at the popular chain known for hash brown breakfasts and its ability to stay open even in the face of natural disasters, included employees wearing masks, booths closed to keep customers apart and traditional plastic place mat menus replaced by disposable paper menus.

Waffle House spokeswoman Njeri Boss said 330 of the chain's 400 Georgia restaurants stayed open for takeout orders during the lockdown, and most of them were expected to start serving dine-in customers Monday.

Gov. Brian Kemp announced last week that he would relax restrictions despite health experts' warnings of a potential surge in infections and disapproval from President Donald Trump.

Kemp issued 39 requirements that restaurants must follow if they reopen, including observing a limit of 10 customers per 500 square feet (about 46 square meters) and ensuring that all employees wear face coverings all the time. Movie theater ushers were ordered to enforce social distancing.

At Plucked Up Chicken & Biscuits in Columbus, eight regulars showed up Monday morning to have coffee and breakfast and "chatted at each other across the room," manager Alesha Webster said.

The restaurant followed the governor's restrictions, including constantly disinfecting and sanitizing, placing tables 6 feet (2 meters) apart and practicing social distancing, Webster said. The restrictions also mean only 10 customers can be inside at a time, rather than the normal capacity of 45.

The outbreak has been brutal on such a small business, even though the restaurant offered to-go orders, Webster said. The decision to reopen for dine-in service was difficult, she said.

"You don't want people to bash you because you're just trying to make ends meet," she said.

Alex Brounstein, the owner of Atlanta-based burger chain, Grindhouse Killer Burgers, said he had no plans to reopen Monday, and he questioned how any restaurant can resume dine-in service while maintaining social distance or other precautions to prevent the virus from spreading.

"You're talking about people putting their mouths on things in your restaurant. You now have dirty dishes going back into your kitchen. To me, it's just completely illogical," he said.

Mary Mac's Tea Room, an Atlanta institution that opened in 1945 and serves up Southern specialties, also planned to remain closed for now. While managers respect the governor's decision, they don't believe it's in the best interests or safety of their staff or customers to reopen yet, a message on the restaurant's Facebook page said.

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Mother, 19, charged with abuse of infant

BY COURIER STAFF REPORT

The mother of a 5-month-old boy has been charged with felony neglect of a dependent after the infant was treated at hospitals in both Madison and Louisville for what police have described as a near fatal brain hemorrhage.

The case began when Madison Police responded to the King's Daughters' Hospital Emergency Room at 7:21 p.m. on April 24 to investigate an alleged case of child abuse. The infant was treated at KDH and then transported to Louisville for additional care.

Madison Police Detectives Kyle Cutshaw and Ricky Harris interviewed the mother of the infant, Destany Jae Burge, 19, of Madison, and based on that interview and other information obtained during their investigation, the detectives established probable cause to arrest Burge.

Burge faces preliminary charges of neglect of a dependent, a Level 3 felony, and false informing, a Class A misdemeanor. She was lodged in the Jefferson County Jail where she awaits her initial court appearance on the preliminary charges.

Senior Patrolman Aaron Watson assisted Detectives Cutshaw and Harris. The investigation is ongoing and the Madison Police Department is being assisted by the Indiana Department of Child Services.

LINE OF RESPECT

WKMNEWS.COM photos by Aaron Lux

When Gene Stockdale, of Hanover, was buried on Friday, only immediate family members were allowed to attend services at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre Hanover Chapel due to COVID-19 crowd restrictions but that didn't stop his many friends and admirers from showing up at the Jefferson County 4-H Fairgrounds to park and pay their respects as Stockdale's funeral procession made it's way through the facility. After military service and a long career as a pipe fitter, Stockdale, 86, spent his retirement taking care of maintenance at the fairgrounds so fair friends and members of his church, Hanover United Methodist, were on hand to pay their respects before the procession went on to burial at New Bethel Cemetery in Chelsea.

Questions over Kim's health highlight intelligence limits

BY KIM TONG-HYUNG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korean leader Kim Jong Un's prolonged public absence has led to rumors of ill health and worries about how it could influence the future of what one analyst calls Northeast Asia's "Achilles' heel," a reference to the North's belligerence and unpredictable nature.

But there's a basic, unanswered question, debated by the media and government intelligence services alike: Are the rumors even true?

The exact state of Kim's health matters because it could determine the stability of the dynastic government in Pyongyang and the security of nuclear weapons that the nation has repeatedly threatened to use on its neighbors and the United States.

It's a problem that outside nations have faced for decades. Gathering intelligence on perhaps the world's most secretive, suspicious and difficult-to-read country is incredibly difficult. And there's probably nothing North Korea guards more closely than information on Kim's health, which is only likely shared among a small portion of the elite, including his powerful sister, Kim Yo Jong.

At the heart of the intelligence shortcomings about North Korea is its extremely closed nature. But there is also plenty of blame leveled in South Korea at efforts there.

Supporters of South Korea's current liberal government, which remains eager for inter-Korean engagement, lament the previous decade of conservative rule there, when exchanges between diplomats, government and business leaders, aid groups and others stopped under hard-line policies toward North Korea's nuclear ambitions. This, they say, deprived spies of high-quality information sources.

Conservatives, on the other hand, blame liberals for supposedly downsizing espionage operations while pursuing inter-Korean rapprochement. They say such networks have been difficult to rebuild.

South Korea's government has repeatedly played down unconfirmed media reports that Kim is in fragile health following heart surgery, saying it has detected no unusual activity in North Korea or any emergency preparation by its ruling Workers' Party, military and Cabinet. Without specifying its information sources, South Korea's presidential office said it believes Kim is handling state affairs normally at an unspecified site outside the capital, Pyongyang.

However unfounded the fears may be, some experts say South Korea, as well as its regional neighbors and ally Washington, must begin preparing for high-level instability that could come if Kim is sidelined by health problems or even dies. That could include North Korean refugees flooding South Korea or China, or military hard-liners letting loose nuclear weapons.

While those are worst-case scenarios, planning for them is crucial because nobody knows for sure what's happening inside North Korea, said Nam Sung-wook, a North Korea expert at Seoul's Korea University who termed the situation the "Achilles' heel of international politics in Northeast Asia."

"Instead of just saying he's fine ... our government should prepare for various chaotic scenarios," said Nam, a former director of a think tank affiliated with South Korea's main spy agency. "He could very well be OK and reappear in North Korean state media again, but considering his weight and worsening shape, the risks linked to his health will sharply increase as he gets older." Kim is overweight, reportedly smokes heavily and has other health problems.

Questions about Kim's health have been raised since he missed the birthday celebration of his late grandfather and state founder Kim Il Sung on April 15, the country's most important holiday.

Kim, who is in his mid-30s, was last seen in public on April 11, when he presided over a meeting discussing coronavirus prevention and electing his sister as an alternate member of the political bureau of the ruling Workers' Party. State media have since reported that he sent greetings to Syrian President Bashar Assad, Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel and South African President Cyril Ramaphosa..

On Monday, the official Rodong Sinmun newspaper said Kim sent a message of gratitude to workers building tourist facilities in the coastal town of Wonsan, which is where some speculate he is staying. No photos of him were published.

South Korean intelligence combined with North Korean state media reports suggest that Kim could have suffered some sort of medical setback but likely not a life-threatening one, said Du Hyeogn Cha, a senior researcher at Seoul's Asan Institute for Policy Studies.

BOOMS

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Taylor said three deputies were sent to investigate alleged reports of damage in the area between Chicken Run and S.R. 256 Monday morning but found no broken windows or other indicators of damage.

Although unsure of the cause, Taylor said Tannerite, a popular brand of explosive shooting targets, is the main suspect. Tannerite targets are a compound of oxidizers and a fuel, mostly comprised of aluminum powder, that are provided separately and mixed by the user, according to the company.

Taylor did not want to estimate how much of the compound would be required to cause an explosion as loud as residents reported, but said no legal restrictions apply to the targets in any way in Jefferson County.

"It's a frequent thing," he said of complaints about similar noises.

The sheriff's office investigation is ongoing.

ISP

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The trooper had been working on equipment in the vehicle used by a state police specialty team when the male suspect, later identified as Vincent L. Wiefling, 29, of Madison, approached the residence on foot. Wiefling entered the vehicle without being seen by the trooper and drove it away from the scene northbound on State Road 62, Wheeles said. Two witnesses to the theft followed Wiefling in the truck until law enforcement could respond.

Wiefling crashed the vehicle in a ditch less than two miles from the theft and then fled from the vehicle on foot, Wheeles said. Numerous law enforcement agencies responded to the scene and Wiefling was soon located hiding in a nearby wooded area and was taken into custody.

Wiefling was transported to the Jefferson County Jail where he was incarcerated on preliminary charges of auto theft, resisting law enforcement, criminal trespass, operating while intoxicated, unlawful entry of a motor vehicle and leaving the scene of an accident.

Investigators later learned that Wiefling had just been released from the custody of the Jefferson County Jail earlier Friday morning. He has previously served time in the county jail for felony theft, counterfeiting and drug charges.

Wiefling is being held at the Jefferson County Jail pending his initial appearance in court. Indiana State Police was assisted by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Hanover Police Department and Madison Police Department.

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NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON SHERIFF

ARRESTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

2:27 a.m. Justin Ledbetter charged with residential entry.

CRIME

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

10:30 a.m. Property damage accident State Road 62 near Warman Road and 400 South.

11:02 a.m. Property damage accident West Junction State Roads 56 and 62.

12:36 p.m. Property damage accident 2900 block South State Road 62.

1:20 p.m. Disturbance 14100 block West Main Street, Deputy.

1:58 P..m. Theft reported 5400 block North State Road 7.

2:01 p.m. Animal problem Goldenrod Lane, Hanover.

2:04 p.m. Suspicious person or circumstance 240 block East Main Street, Hanover.

3:06 p.m. Suspicious person or circumstance 4000 block North State Road 3, Deputy.

3:21 p.m. Property damage accident Clifty Drive and State Road 62.

4 p.m. Vandalism reported Madison Mobile Village.

6:21 p.m. Trespassing 5500 North Scotts Ridge Road.

9:42 p.m. Stolen vehicle US 421 at Old Michigan Road.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

2:27 a.m. Domestic incident 6900 West Main Street, Dupont. Arrest made.

7:04 a.m. Disturbance 14100 block West Main Street, Deputy.

10:07 a.m. Property damage 8700 block State Road 62, Nabb.

7:11 p.m. Protective order violation 10500 block West Front Street, Dupont.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

12:45 a.m. Domestic battery 1300 block North Meadowside Court.

8:28 p.m. Stolen vehicle 9000 block Little Rest Farm Road, Commiskey.

8:37 p.m. Explosion reported 4700 block Interstate Block Road. Unable to locate.

MONDAY, APRIL 27

12:45 a.m. Suspicious person or circumstance West Deputy Pike Road.

2:03 a.m. Alarm 1800 block Telegraph Hill Road.

TRAFFIC

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

12:24 a.m. Traffic hazard Hanover College north entrance. Warning issued for improper lane change and tail light.

MONDAY, APRIL 27

12:29 a.m. Traffic hazard State Road 7 and Deputy Pike Road.

GENERAL

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

8:43 a.m. Transport to 1300 block North State Road 62.

12:36 p.m. Transport to 1300 block North State Road 62

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

1:32 p.m. Trees down State 56, east junction.

MONDAY, APRIL 27

12:15 a.m. Chest pains Deputy Pike Road and State Road 7.

MADISON POLICE

ARRESTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

10:18 p.m. Arrest made, no details given.

CITATIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

6:34 p.m. Mariah Deshay Russell of Madison cited for no operators license when required.

CRIME

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

10:52 a.m. K9 Detail State Rod 62 near Warman and 400 South, Hanover.

1:48 p.m. Property damage accident 2400 block Lanier Drive.

4:13 p.m. Domestic standby 500 block East Street.

4:20 a.m. Unwanted subject 100 block Hooten Boulevard.

5:02 p.m. Unconscious man down 2300 Taylor Street.

6:57 p.m. Property damage accident 700 block Clifty Drive.

7:21 p.m. Child abuse reported 1300 block North State Road 62.

8:28 p.m. Vandalism 300 block Bellaire Drive.

9:51 p.m. Disturbance 800 block East Main Street.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

12:56 a.m. Property damage accident Michigan Hill Road.

7:37 a.m. Suspicious person or circumstance 800 block East Street.

8:23 a.m. Suspicious vehicle 800 block Green Road.

12:23 p.m. Domestic incident 700 block West Third Street.

12:56 p.m. Criminal mischief 100 block Taft Drive.

14:31 p.m. Vandalism 200 block Ivy Tech Drive.

3:08 p.m. License plate lost or stolen 300 block Maple Hill Drive.

3:17 p.m. Vandalism 160 block Taft Drive.

4:34 p.m. Alarm 300 block Clifty Drive.

7:10 p.m. Property damage accident Lanier Drive at Wells Drive.

9:55 p.m. Leaving scene of accident 600 block Green Road.

10:39 p.m. Suspicious vehicle 300 block Clifty Drive.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

8:36 a.m. Disturbance 100 block East Second Street.

9:36 a.m. Disturbance 300 block Hillcrest Drive.

1:14 p.m. Gunshot injury at 1300 North State Road 62.

2:21 p.m. Vehicle breaking and entering 2100 block Lanier Drive.

5:03 p.m. Theft at 200 block Hooten Boulevard.

5:33 p.m. Animal bite or attack 900 block Saddle Tree Lane.

5:50 p.m. Animal problem 500 block East Street.

8:07 p.m. Domestic incident Hanging Rock Hill.

8:31 p.m. Investigation Vaughn Drive.

8:50 p.m. Domestic incident 2800 Windridge Drive.

9:13 p.m. Domestic incident 200 block Hooten Boulevard.

11:53 p.m. K9 detail Presbyterian Avenue.

TRAFFIC

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

12:37 a.m. Traffic stop Clifty Drive. Warning issued.

2:53 a.m. Traffic stop 1200 block Clifty Drive.

6:28 a.m. Traffic hazard at Second and Harrison streets.

9:19 a.m. Traffic hazard Michigan Hill Road.

5:45 p.m. Traffic stop at Mill and Main streets.

5:45 p.m. Traffic stop at East and East Second streets. Warning issued for improper lane change.

5:48 p.m. Traffic stop at Main and Jefferson streets. Warning issued for speed.

6:34 p.m. Traffic stop State Road 56 West. Citation issued.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

3:30 p.m. Traffic stop Marion and Green Road. Juvenile arrest.

10:18 p.m. Traffic stop Mouser Street. Arrest made.

11:47 p.m. Traffic stop Presbyterian Avenue east of Cragmont. Arrest made.

GENERAL

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

6:10 a.m. Utility problem 1200 block Walnut Street.

12:46 p.m. Found item or article 400 block Mill Street.

1:45 p.m. General information Madison Police Department.

3:38 p.m.. Follow-up case 1800 block Cragmont Street.

5:46 p.m. Follow-up case 1300 block North State Road 62.

8:08 p.m. Follow-up case 2800 block Eisenhower Drive.

8:52 p.m. Follow-up case 1200 block East 400 North.

9:45 p.m. General information Madison Police Department.

9:57 p.m. Welfare check 2200 block Michigan Road.

10:13 p.m. Follow-up case 2000 block Wilson Avenue.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

1:45 p.m. General information Madison Police Department.

1:52 p.m. Abandoned vehicle 500 block Phillips Lane.

7:57 p.m. Found item or article Madison Police Department.

8:11 p.m. Follow-up case 1800 block Cragmont Street.

8:17 p.m. Assist other agency 2100 block Lanier Drive.

9:45 p.m. General information Madison Police Department.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

1:49 p.m. General information Madison Police Department.

Hanover Police

CITATIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

2:35 p.m. Andrew Henderson of Madison warning issued for speed.

CRIME

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

10:30 a.m. Property damage accident State Road 62 near Warman Road.

12:22 p.m. Theft reported 400 block Sissy Lane.

3:06 p.m. Juvenile problem 100 block Maple Street.

3:21 p.m. Property damage accident Clifty Drive and State Road 62.

3:25 p.m. Stolen vehicle 100 block Spruce Lane.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

4:33 p.m. Lost child 100 block Presbyterian Avenue.

8:37 p.m. Explosion 4700 block West Interstate Block Road. Unable to locate.

TRAFFIC

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

2:35 p.m. Traffic stop 1300 block Clifty Hollow Drive. Warning issued.

GENERAL

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

8:09 a.m. Assist motorist 600 block West LaGrange Road.

8:22 a.m. Assist motorist West Junction.

8:28 a.m. Follow-up case 100 block West Street.

12:58 p.m. Assist motorist East Junction State Roads 56 and 62.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

6:40 p.m. Assist other agency West State Road 56.

8:29 p.m. Assist other agency Lanier Drive and Rabbit Lane.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Glenn Douglas Hammons, 60, 1849 Brown Street, Madison and Marlene Kay Jones, 61, 1849 Brown Street, Madison.

Gary Scott Cain, 46, 9838 East Little Brushy Fork Road Madison and Katina Rochelle Carter, 44, 9838 East Little Brushy Fork Road, Madison.

Ashley Aliene Hemrich, 30, 507 West Main Street, Madison and Seth David Pennington, 26, 507 West Main Street, Madison.

Matthew Sedam, 22, 207 Miles Ridge Road, Madison and Karlee Sherman, 22, 9693 North Taylor Ridge Road, Canaan.

Jessica Marie Grimm, 31, 155 North Fifth St., Apt 37, Scottsburg and Robert Burdette Davis, 32, 1502 East Wehner Drive, Madison.

GRANT

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"This additional deadline will ensure projects waiting for this amendment to pass city council have the opportunity to apply for funding during the current round instead of having to wait until the next round of funding opens for applications," said Nicole M. Schell, city planner-preservation coordinator.

The deadline for new applications for projects that fall within the PACE Program Target Areas or those applying for the new programs is 4 p.m. on Monday, May 4. The city will also waive the requirement to meet with the City Planner-Preservation Coordinator prior to submitting the application.

"These enhancements to the PACE Program emphasize the importance of clean safe and beautiful neighborhoods. This program will eliminate blight, restore and preserve historic properties, create economic stimulus and make our neighborhoods safer while using oversight infrastructure and guidelines already in place. I'm grateful for the partnership with the Madison Redevelopment Commission and Jefferson County Commissioners that will contribute to the funding of this initiative," said Mayor Bob Courtney.

The 2020 application form and the amended program guidelines are available at www.madison-in.gov/141/PACE-Program. Questions about the application form or program requirements should be directed to Schell at the Office of Planning and Preservation.

Barr orders prosecutors to look for unconstitutional virus rules

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Attorney General William Barr on Monday ordered federal prosecutors across the U.S. to identify coronavirus-related restrictions from state and local governments "that could be violating the constitutional rights and civil liberties of individual citizens."

The memo to U.S. attorneys directs the head of the Justice Department's civil rights division and the U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan to coordinate the department's efforts to monitor state and local policies and take action if needed.

"If a state or local ordinance crosses the line from an appropriate exercise of authority to stop the spread of COVID-19 into an overbearing infringement of constitutional and statutory protections, the Department of Justice may have an obligation to address that overreach in federal court."

Barr's memo comes about two weeks after the Justice Department filed a statement of interest in a civil case in Mississippi, siding with a Christian church where local officials had tried to stop Holy Week services broadcast to congregants sitting in their cars in the parking lot.

The directive also comes as many stay-at-home orders are set to expire and governors eager to rescue their economies are moving to ease restrictions meant to control the spread of the coronavirus, even as new hot spots emerge and experts warn that moving too fast could prove disastrous.

At the same time, protesters have staged demonstrations against stay-at-home orders, and in recent weeks, President Donald Trump has urged supporters to "liberate" three states led by Democratic governors.

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OBITUARIES

Mary Downing

Mary Louise Peelman Downing, 81, of Vevay, Indiana, died Friday, April 24, 2020, at the Swiss Villa Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Vevay.

She was born Jan. 20, 1939, in Vevay, as one of 11 children to Frank Edward "E.P." and Mary Naomi Fulton Peelman. She was raised in Switzerland County and was a 1957 graduate of Vevay High School. She was employed by US Shoe Factory in Vevay and the Steer Restaurant in Madison, Indiana for several years. She was also employed by the Madison State Hospital in Madison for several years, was a member of the Vevay Church of Christ in Vevay and enjoyed babysitting and spending time with her family.

Survivors include her daughters, Barbara Coy, Peggy L. Scudder and Jacqueline Chatham, all of Vevay and Tammy S. Walton of Lawrenceburg, Indiana; her sons, Ray Otter of Versailles, Indiana and Micah Downing of Bloomington, Indiana; her stepdaughters, Linda Joy Furnish and LaDona Jean Scudder; her stepsons, Roy Downing Jr. and Ronald J. Downing; her brothers, Gordan Peelman of Lawrenceburg and Ronnie Peelman of Maysville, South Carolina; and 12 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, several stepgrandchildren and step-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Raymond Otter and her second husband, Roy Francis Downing; her sisters, Virginia Peelman, Betty Tomlison, Roberta Kearney, Linda Carol Peters and Shirley Ann Marsh; her brothers, Eugene, Robert "Bobby" and Charles "Chuck" Peelman and a niece.

Due to COVID-19 crowd restrictions, private funeral services were held on Monday, April 27 at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay. Interment will follow in the Vevay Cemetery there.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Vevay Church of Christ. Cards are available at the funeral home or online at www.haskellandmorrison.com.

Kathryn Stewart

Kathryn Blanche Hulse Stewart, 91, died Friday, April 24, 2020, at Dublin Assisted Living and Memory Support in Dublin, Ohio. She had suffered from dementia for several years.

She was born Feb. 26, 1929, in Youngstown, Ohio, to Edgar and Hazel Westerman Hulse. She earned a bachelor of arts in education at Bowling Green University in Ohio where she was a member of the Alpha Xi Delta Sorority. She married and raised three children before starting her teaching career as a kindergarten and preschool teacher. She later received her master's degree in education from Indiana University in June 1971. Her role as a teacher included developing and supervising craft projects for her students, and her natural skills led her to pursue crafts on her own. She had a talent for sewing, enjoyed gardening and being outdoors. After retiring, she and her husband traveled the country in their Avion trailer, and would take their grandchildren with them from coast to coast.

Survived include her husband of 69 years Claire McKay Stewart Jr.; two sons, Claire Stewart III and James Stewart; a sister, Marjory Megla; four grandchildren; three great grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a daughter, Sara Kathryn Stewart Votroubek.

A private funeral service was totay, at Royal-Coleman Funeral Home in Linesville, Pennsylvania with burial in Linesville Cemetery there.

Expressions of sympathy or memorial contributions may be sent to Alzheimer's Association in Kathryn's name. Online condolences, royalcoleman funeralhome.com.

Mildred Barker

Mildred C. Barker, 96, of Madison, Indiana, died Saturday, April 25, 2020, at Baptist Health Floyd Hospital in New Albany, Indiana.

She was born March 12, 1924, in Bedford, Kentucky, to John and Myrtle Mikesell Luellen. She was head housekeeper at Hanover College for many years and worked at Hanover Nursing Center for 15 years prior to that. She was a member of the Cornerstone Baptist Church and enjoyed quilting, going to church and her grandchildren.

She is survived by several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lloyd Barker; and her sons, Wayne Bell and Rick Bell.

Private graveside services will be held at Springdale Cemetery in Madison.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society. Contributions may be made at the Lytle Welty Funeral Homes & Cremation Service in Madison or lytlewelty.com.

'Sue Ann' Essex

Schaene "Sue Ann" Bromwell Essex, 64, of Dillsboro, Indiana, died Saturday, March 7, 2020, from injuries she sustained from an automobile accident in Dillsboro.

She was born November 29, 1955, in Madison, Indiana, to Bradley Bromwell and Mildred L. "Minnie" Smith Ackerman-Bromwell. She was raised in Richmond, Indiana, and graduated high school there. She was employed for the US Shoe Factory in Vevay, Indiana, for a few months and enjoyed spending time with her dogs and cats.

Surviv include her half-sisters, Cathy Susan Ackerman Hart of Vevay, Indiana, and Ann Bromwell of Columbus, Indiana; a stepbrother, Patrick Collier of Vevay; and her nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her stepmother, Gretta Lee Pratt Bromwell; a half-brother, John "Terry" Ackerman; and her stepsister, Lee Ann Moore.

Private family graveside services will be at 1 p.m., Monday, May 4, in the Vevay Cemetery there.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Cards are available at the funeral home or online, www.haskellandmorrison.com.

Richard Ballard

Richard Edward "Dick" Ballard, 94, of Indianapolis, died Sunday, April 26, 2020, at the Westminster Village North in Indianapolis.

Arrangements are pending at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, www.haskellandmorrison.com.

Let Us Pause to Honor the Memory of

Mrs. Bonnie A. Nighbert Tipton Cook

Mrs. Bonnie A. Nighbert Tipton Cook, age 74, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on January 9, 1946 in Madison, Indiana. She was the loving daughter of the late Arlie L. and Mary L. Chitwood Nighbert. She was a lifelong resident of Jefferson county and was a 1964 graduate of Southwestern High School. She also attended Business College in Louisville for two- and one-half years. She was united in marriage to John Tipton on December 1, 1967 at the Kent United Methodist Church. This union was blessed with a daughter, Jodi and a son, Jason. She later married John Cook on June 26, 1982 and they adopted a son, Justin. She had worked for Grote Industries for four years and then went to Marble Hill in the accounting department for three years. She worked as a secretary at Jefferson Proving Grounds for many years and then went to the Army Corps of Engineers in Louisville, Kentucky as a secretary. She retired from the government after 18 years of service. She was a member of Kent United Methodist Church and enjoyed watching softball, NASCAR, IU Basketball, the Colts, and the Bengals. Bonnie died on Wednesday, April 22, 2020, at 6:54 p.m. at the Hosparus Inpatient Unit of Norton Pavilion in Louisville, Kentucky.

A LOVING FAMILY

Bonnie will be missed by her loving daughter, Jodi Tipton of Madison, Indiana; her loving sons, Jason Tipton and his wife Jamie of Madison, Indiana; Justin Cook of Madison, Indiana; her loving grandsons, Daniel and Matthew Tipton; and several cousins. She was preceded in death by her father, Arly L. Nighbert, died October 10, 1983, her mother, Mary L. Chitwood Nighbert, died November 11, 1974, and her grandson, Jacob Tipton, died March 26, 2016.

FUNERAL CEREMONY

Funeral services will be conducted Monday, April 27, 2020, at 1:00 p.m., by Pastor Rod Asher at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will be private in the Kent Cemetery in Kent, Indiana.

VISITATION

(Note: Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, restrictions apply)

Friends may visit Monday from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree

MEMORIAL EXPRESSIONS

Memorial contributions may be made to the Donor's choice. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre's of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

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Violet Yocum

Violet Yocum, 74, of Madison, Indiana, died Sunday, April 26, 2020, at the Hosparus Inpatient Unit of Norton Pavilion in Louisville. Arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Alan Lambdin

Alan Lambdin, 65, of Vevay, Indiana, died Saturday, April 25, 2020, at the King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison, Indiana. Arrangements in care of Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, www.haskellandmorrison.com.

Let Us Pause to Honor the Memory of

Mrs. Charlotte Lee Coffin Liter

Mrs. Charlotte Lee Coffin Liter, age 82, of Deputy, Indiana entered this life on November 10, 1937 in Milton, Kentucky. She was the loving daughter of the late James Ervin and Della Evelyn Hammons Coffin. She was raised in Trimble County and attended school there. On March 14, 1955, she was united in marriage to Delbert T. Liter in Carrollton, Kentucky. This happy union of 65 years was blessed with sons, Bill, Bobby, Barry and Bart. The family settled in Jefferson County in 1956. A member of the Calvary Wesleyan Church in Madison, Charlotte worked 10 years at the U.S. Shoe Factory and several years at Field's Produce in Madison. Charlotte was a devoted wife, loving mother and mamaw. A fantastic cook, she loved music - especially Elvis and Conway Twitty, baseball, gardening, flowers and her dogs, Jupiter, Ozzy and Little Bit. Her greatest joy in life was being the mom of her four sons and becoming a mamaw. Charlotte died on Monday, April 20, 2020, at 10:30 p.m. at the King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison, Indiana.

A LOVING FAMILY

Charlotte will be missed by her loving husband of 65 years, Delbert T. Liter of Deputy, Indiana; her beloved sons, Bill Liter and his wife, Linda of Madison, Indiana, Bobby Liter and his wife, Lori of Taylorsville, Kentucky, Bart Liter and his wife Alicia of Deputy, Indiana; her loving grandchildren, Tayra (Kori), Chad (Ashley), Katherine (Cathal), and Emmy (Austin); her adoring great grandchildren, Jacob, Nicholas, Samantha, Braden, Emerson, Tadgh, Fionn, Edwin, and Charlotte Rose; her loving great great granddaughter, Nayla; her sister, Janice Field and her husband, Don of Madison, Indiana; her brother, Darrell Wayne Coffin and his wife, Shirley of Milton, Kentucky; her brothers in law, Wayne Crafton of Milton, Kentucky, Isaac Romans, Jr. of Milton, Kentucky; her sister in law, Sue Liter Barnes of Milton, Kentucky; her brother in law and sister in law, Dale and Janice Liter of Lexington, Indiana; her uncles, Randall Hammons of Madison, Indiana, Payne Crafton of Bedford, Kentucky; her aunt and uncle, Lela and Darrell Mahoney of Madison, Indiana; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, James Ervin Coffin, died April 7, 1952, her mother, Della Evelyn Hammons Coffin, died July 29, 2000, her beloved son, Barry Dwayne Liter, died April 22, 1988, her sisters, Mary Lottie Coffin Crafton, died September 12, 2018 and Fredia L. Coffin Romans, died April 13, 2020, her great granddaughter, Claire Kupper, died July 8, 2011, and her father in law and mother in law, Russell C. Liter, died August 10, 1989 and Lois Liter, died June 26, 2015.

PRIVATE FUNERAL CEREMONY

Private funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 25, 2020, at 1:00 p.m., at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Private interment was in the Moffett Cemetery in Milton, Kentucky.

VISITATION

Friends visited Friday from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. -12:45 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

MEMORIAL EXPRESSIONS

Memorial contributions may be made to Hickory Creek of Madison Activities Fund. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

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Survey: 18% of Hoosiers anticipated major disease outbreak

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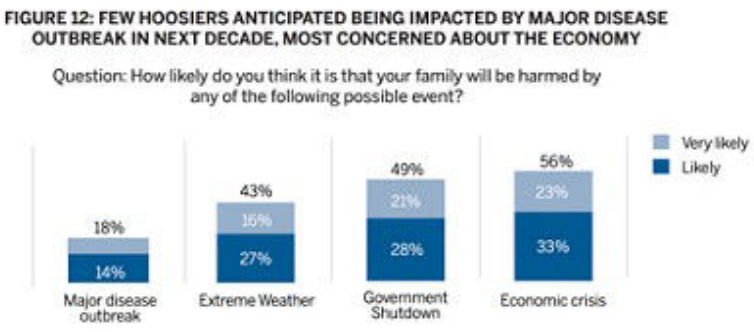
BLOOMINGTON — Late last year, before the COVID-19 pandemic broke out, less than 1 in 5 Hoosiers felt that a major disease outbreak was likely to harm their families during the next 10 years.

Their bigger concerns were over an economic crisis, a government shutdown or extreme weather, according to the annual Hoosier Life Survey released this week by Indiana University's Environmental Resilience Institute.

While the survey traditionally polls Hoosiers about their attitudes toward the environment and extreme weather, researchers, by chance, added a question comparing Indiana residents' views on possibly harmful future events.

The new question was: "How likely do you think it is that your family will be harmed by any of the following possible events?" The four choices included a disease outbreak, extreme weather, an economic crisis or a government shutdown.

"We just embedded it within a different context and we hope that it sheds new light on how Hoosiers prepare to face risk," Eric Sandweiss, an IU professor of history and co-leader of the survey, said.



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Among survey respondents, 14% felt a major disease outbreak was "likely" to hit their families; another 4% thought it would be "very likely" their family would be harmed by an outbreak, amounting to a total of 18%.

But the three other choices rated higher.

Topping the list was an economic crisis which concerned 56% of the respondents. A government shutdown came in second with a total of 49% with extreme weather at 43%.

"These survey results suggest that, until recently, Hoosiers were largely unconcerned about the likelihood of a pandemic," Matt Houser, an IU sociologist and Environmental Resilience Institute research fellow who co-led the survey, said in a statement.

"From coronavirus, to climate change, to corn yields, we live in interconnected systems. Many of the actions we can take to be prepared for climate change will also increase our resilience to diseases like COVID-19," Houser said.

But what the survey might indicate below the surface is whether Hoosiers are prepared for perceived harmful events.

The results "do show us how much MORE likely Hoosiers are to anticipate the danger of extreme weather events than they are at least some other major risks for which we need to prepare," Sandweiss wrote in a response to CNHI.

"Overall, though, they suggest that even events that people have witnessed in their own recent past — and that they know may affect others around them in the near future — still seem unlikely to affect us personally in years to come. People need to learn to prepare for such events as though any risk were also a personal risk," Sandweiss wrote.

Among other reported outcomes:

- Indiana residents expressed strong trust in scientists as a source of information on extreme weather. But Hoosiers identifying as "rural" are much less likely to trust scientists and prefer their "own judgment" as a source of information on extreme weather. Community dialogues may be a more effective way to discuss resilience planning with rural residents, researchers said.
- Most Hoosiers expect climate change will harm plants, animals, people in the state and themselves at least moderately.
- Lower-income Hoosiers are more likely to expect to be harmed "a great deal" by climate change, suggesting a need for programs and policies to help these communities act on the concerns.
- Rural and urban Hoosiers expressed about equally high levels of interest in or current use of solar panels for homes to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, despite rural residents expressing far less belief in human-caused climate change.

Sandweiss added, "I'm struck by the high degree of recognition given to our changing climate and to the potential deleterious effects of increased extreme weather events.

"But I also think that the survey shows us how much more we need to talk to one another — scientists, policymakers, and the general public — in order to share information, prioritize our needs and desires, and generally find that elusive balance between personal liberty and social consent amidst the stresses brought on by global changes in our environment," he added.

Among the results from the disease outbreak question, Indianapolis residents were on average less likely to expect their family's lives to be impacted by a major outbreak over the next 10 years.

Lower-income Hoosiers living in Indianapolis, defined by earning between $0 and $44,999 annually, were more likely to expect to be harmed by a disease outbreak than those in the same income bracket who lived in other areas of the state.

In comparison, respondents in middle-to-high income households in Indianapolis were less likely than those in other regions with the same income to expect a major disease outbreak.

Census officials say restart to field operations will be in phases

BY MIKE SCHNEIDER
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ORLANDO, Fla. — The U.S. Census Bureau's return to field operations for the 2020 national head count will take place in phases based on a region's lockdown orders and the availability of protective gear against the new coronavirus, bureau officials told lawmakers late last week.

Census Bureau officials told members of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform last Friday that there would be a phased start to the resumption of field operations on June 1. The spreading virus, and subsequent stay-at-home orders, forced the bureau in mid-March to halt field operations such as hiring and training, reaching out to college students in off-campus housing and dropping off paper questionnaires to households without traditional addresses.

The bulk of the field operations in which hundreds of thousands of census takers knock on the doors of homes where people haven't yet answered the questionnaire isn't starting until August, after the pandemic forced a delay from a May start.

The briefing with lawmakers comes as the Census Bureau is asking Congress for permission to push back timetables for releasing data used by states to draw congressional and legislative districts. Census Bureau director Steven Dillingham had been scheduled to update lawmakers a week ago but canceled at the last minute, according lawmakers, upsetting some Democrats on the committee who wanted further details about the request.

The 2020 count will be used to determine how many congressional seats each state gets and the distribution of $1 billion in federal funding.

On Monday, during a conference call to motivate New Yorkers to participate in the 2020 census, U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney, the chair of the oversight committee, said she was on board with the request but wanted a written plan from the bureau before moving ahead. The needed legislation authorizing the deadline changes will either be a stand-alone bill or a part of another round of coronavirus relief, she said.

"It's necessary, given what we are confronted with," said Maloney, a Democrat from New York.

In statement, the Census Bureau said information from federal, state and local officials will guide its timing for re-starting field operations.

"As a result, selected field operations will resume on a phased schedule on a geographic basis," the statement said.

Because the coronavirus has caused the cancellation of in-person outreach efforts, the Census Bureau is increasing the paid media budget from $240 million to $320 million, expanding the number of languages in paid media from 14 to 40 languages, and launching "hyper local" media outreach, Ali Ahmad, associate director for communications, told lawmakers.

The bureau also pushed back the deadline for finishing the once-a-decade head count from the end of July to the end of October. But further delays in field operations haven't been ruled out, bureau officials told lawmakers.

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HEALTH

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New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo on Sunday said that each business that wants to reopen will have to submit a plan to the state on how to do that.

The new guidance could offer some unified federal guidance that local officials can lean on, said Lindsay Wiley, an American University public health law expert.

"Federal guidance provides cover to the states for those regulations if they're challenged in the courts," she said. "It allows the state to say 'well the CDC said to do it this way,' and the judge then is very happy to say 'well yes you consulted CDC and that's the appropriate body,' and then uphold the restrictions and say they're appropriately evidence based."

Some examples from the guidance:

• In the initial reopening phases, schools should space desks six feet apart, nix any field trips and school assemblies, and have students eat lunch in their classrooms instead of the cafeteria.

• Churches should hold services through video streaming or at drive-in or outdoor venues as much as possible. They should also encourage everyone to wear cloth face masks, use a stationary collection box, and schedule extra services if necessary to make sure church pews are not packed and congregants stay at least six feet from each other.

Various trade groups have also started coming out with recommendations. For example, the National Restaurant Association last week put out guidance to restaurants considering reopening. The association based its guidance on recommendations from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. But its suggestions don't necessarily match the draft CDC proposals.

• Restaurants should consider using throwaway menus, single-service condiments, and disposable forks, knives, spoons, and dishes. They should install sneeze guards at cash registers, limit the number of employees on a shift, and avoid having buffets, salad bars, and drink stations.

The guidance for religious groups notes "as all Americans are now aware, gatherings present a special risk for increasing spread of COVID-19.

The suggestions include providing congregants spiritual and emotional care "on a flexible or virtual basis or refer them to other available resources."

Allen Fagin, executive vice president of the Orthodox Union, said that as much as worship in synagogues is "one of the most fundamental aspects of Jewish life," his faith also believes that "the sanctity of life is more important than any other aspect of observance."

Application of any guidelines are likely to have significant regional and demographic variation, Fagin added. "There's going to have to be a great deal of both training and soul-searching in particular communities to make certain the guidelines are understood and will in fact be adhered to, to the letter."

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The association said restaurants should clean and sanitize reusable menus, while the CDC suggests using disposable menus. And the CDC recommends that employees use cloth masks when interacting with customers, but the association doesn't. But some guidance is similar. The association and the CDC both recommend seating dining parties at least 6 feet apart.

CASES

FROM PAGE A1

A total of 844 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died of COVID-19. Another 88 probable deaths have been reported. Probable deaths are those for which a physician listed COVID-19 as a contributing cause based on X-rays, scans and other clinical symptoms but for which no positive test is on record. Deaths are reported based on when data are received by ISDH and occurred over multiple days.

To date, 84,476 tests have been reported to ISDH, up from 81,708 on Sunday.

According to statewide virus statistics, Jefferson County now has 26 confirmed cases of COVID-19 out of 4141 residents tested and Switzerland County has 14 cases out of 114 tested. Neither local county has reported a coronavirus related death.

Cass County had the most new cases, at 439. Other counties with more than 10 new cases were Allen (49), Bartholomew (26), Clark (50), Fulton (10), Hamilton (16), Howard (35), Lake (53), Marion (133), Miami (28), St. Joseph (11) and Tippecanoe (15). The Lake County totals include results from East Chicago and Gary, which have their own health departments.

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	Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3 WAVE	6	2	News	News	News	News	Ellen's Game		Ellen's Game		New Amsterdam		News
4 WTTV	4		News	CBS	Theory	Theory	NCIS CC (DVS)		FBI CC		FBI-Wanted		News
5 WLWT	2		News	News	Holly	Extra	Ellen's Game		Ellen's Game		New Amsterdam		News
8 WISH	12		News 8 at 6PM		Inside	ET	The Flash (N)		DC's Legends		News 8 at 10PM		News
9 WCPO	23		News	ABC	News	The List	Con	Bless	mixed-	black-	For Life (N) CC		News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	ABC	ET	Inside	Con	Bless	mixed-	black-	For Life (N) CC		News
15 WKPC	13		Collect	News	PBS NewsHour		Inside the Vatican (N) CC				Secrets of Dead		World
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	J'pardy!	Masked Singer		Last	Last	FOX19		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBS	Wheel	J'pardy!	NCIS CC (DVS)		FBI CC		FBI-Wanted		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Last	Last	Mod	Theory	The Flash (N)		DC's Legends		Theory	black-	Two
41 WDRB	8	9	News	News	Judge	Judge	Masked Singer		Last	Last	WDRB News		News
A&E	28	36	The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48		The First 48 (N)		Accused: Guilty		First 48
AMC	29	26	(5:30) ★★ "Eraser" (1996) CC				★★ "Jumanji" (1995) Robin Williams. CC				"Perfect Storm"		
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Daily	Office	Office	Office	Drunk	Drunk	Drunk	Drunk	Daily
DISC	31	38	Deadly Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch (N) CC						Catch
DISN	25	29	Big City	Raven	Raven	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Raven	Just	Gabby	Coop	Sydney
ESPN	32	44	SportsCenter (N)		MLB Baseball								Sports
FREE	18	40	(5:30) ★★★ "The Blind Side" (2009)				★ "Grown Ups" (2010) Adam Sandler.						700
FX	40	28	★★ "Daddy's Home 2" (2017)				★★ "The Expendables" (2010)				★★ "The Expendables 2"		
HBO	201	17	Real	Axios	★★★ "Slumdog Millionaire" (2008)		"Au		Hobbs		REAL Sports		Wes
MAX	270	73	(5:35) ★★★ "Cast Away" (2000)				★★★ "Friday Night Lights" (2004)				★★★ "The Mustang"		
PARMT	35	41	Two	Two	Two	Two	★★★ "Beverly Hills Cop" (1984)				★★ "Beverly Hills Cop II"		
SHOW	221	16	(:10) ★★★ "Hustlers" (2019)				Ray Donovan		Dannemora		Penny Dreadful		"Super
TMC	233	74	(5:45) ★★ "Last Action Hero"				★★★ "Total Recall" (1990)				★★ "Beowulf" (2007)		
TNT	27	43	★★ "The Break-Up" (2006)				★★★ "Knocked Up" (2007)				★★ "The Break-Up"		
USA	26	33	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law-
WGN-A	20	20	Blue Bloods		★★★ "Gravity" (2013, Drama) CC				★★★ "Gravity" (2013, Drama) CC				Married

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3 WAVE	6	2	News	News	News	News	Chicago Med		Chicago Fire		Chicago P.D.		News
4 WTTV	4		News	CBS	Theory	Theory	Survivor (N) CC		(:01) SEAL Team		S.W.A.T. (N) CC		News
5 WLWT	2		News	News	Holly	Extra	Chicago Med		Chicago Fire		Chicago P.D.		News
8 WISH	12		News 8 at 6PM		Inside	ET	Riverdale (N)		Bulletproof CC		News 8 at 10PM		News
9 WCPO	23		News	ABC	News	The List	Be-Millionaire		Be-Millionaire		Be-Millionaire		News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	ABC	ET	Inside	Be-Millionaire		Be-Millionaire		Be-Millionaire		News
15 WKPC	13		Renee	News	PBS NewsHour		Spy in the Wild		Molecule-Made		NOVA		World
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	J'pardy!	The Masked Singer (N) CC (DVS)				FOX19		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBS	Wheel	J'pardy!	Survivor (N) CC		(:01) SEAL Team		S.W.A.T. (N) CC		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Last	Last	Mod	Theory	Riverdale (N)		Bulletproof CC		Theory	black-	Two
41 WDRB	8	9	News	News	Judge	Judge	The Masked Singer (N) CC (DVS)				WDRB News		News
A&E	28	36	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Ghost Stories		Ghost
AMC	29	26	(5:00) ★★★ "The Perfect Storm"				★★★ "Gran Torino" (2008) Clint Eastwood.						"Gangster Sqd"
COM	45	59	South	South	Daily	Ynkrs	South	South	South	South	South	Ynkrs	Daily
DISC	31	38	Expedition Un.		Expedition		Expedition		Expedition Un.		Legends-Wild		Expedi
DISN	25	29	Big City	Raven	Raven	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Raven	Just	Gabby	Coop	Sydney
ESPN	32	44	SportsCenter (N)		2004 NBA Finals From June 15, 2004.						2014 NBA Finals		
FREE	18	40	Simp	★ "Grown Ups" (2010) Adam Sandler.					Motherland		Motherland		700
FX	40	28	(5:30) "The Expendables"		★★★ "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle"						Shad	Shad	Shad
HBO	201	17	Inse	(:25) ★★ "Stuber" (2019)			"Bad Education" (2019) CC				(9:50) ★★ "Anna" (2019)		
MAX	270	73	"Hann	(:20) ★★ "Reclaim"			★★★ "Z for Zachariah"				(:40) "The Chronicles of Riddick"		
PARMT	35	41	Two	Two	Two	Two	★★★ "Coming to America" (1988) CC				"Trading"		
SHOW	221	16	(5:35) Homeland		Penny Dreadful		The Affair "102"		Cou		Work-	★★★ "The Sixth Sense"	
TMC	233	74	(:05) ★★ "Scream 4" (2011)				"Happytime"				(:35) ★★ "The Singing Detective"		
TNT	27	43	(5:00) "The Magnificent Seven"				All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N)				Shaq	Shaq	"Seven
USA	26	33	NCIS CC (DVS)		NCIS CC (DVS)		WWE NXT (N) (Live) CC				"Hitman-Body"		
WGN-A	20	20	Heat of Night		Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married

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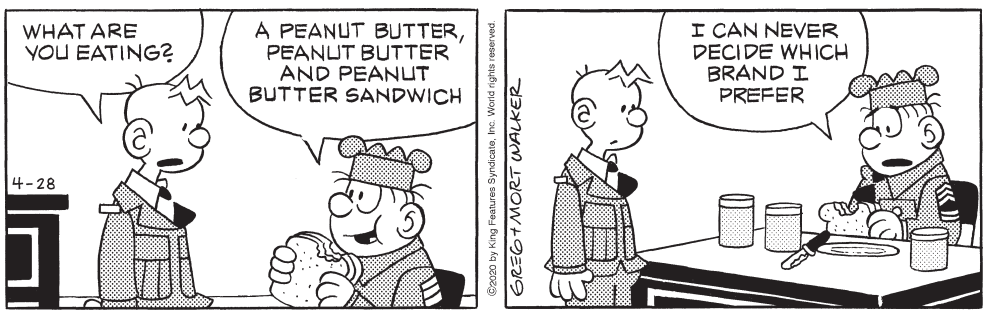
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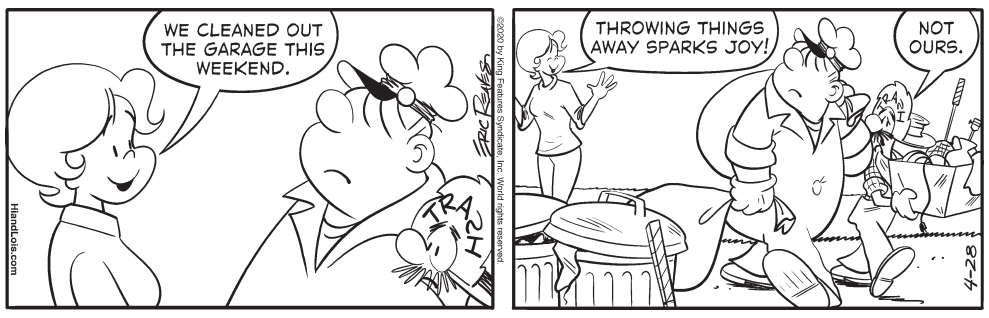

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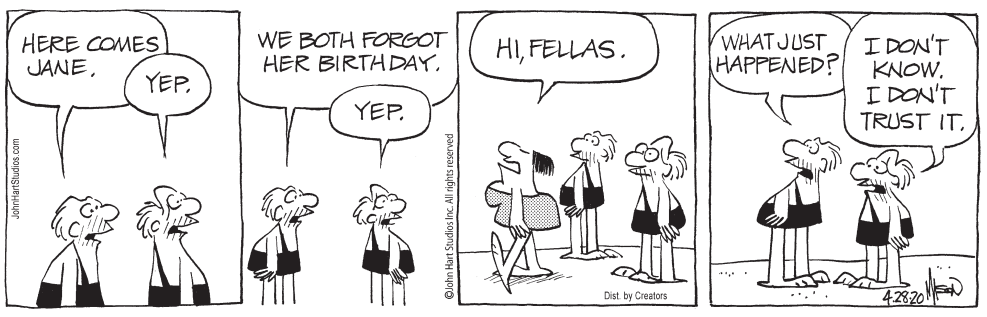

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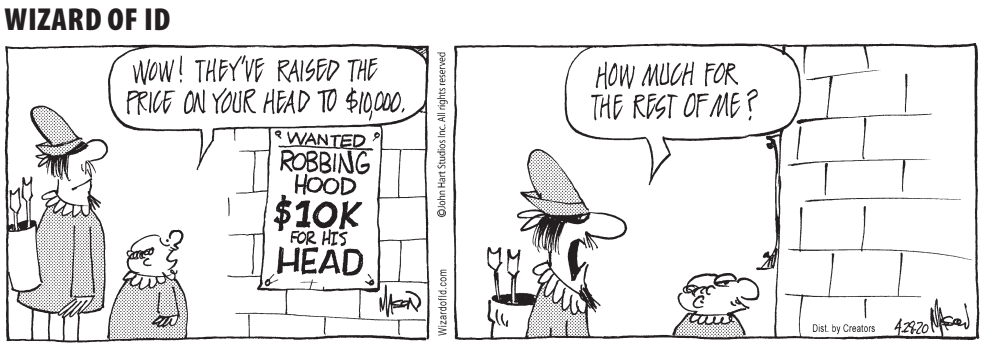
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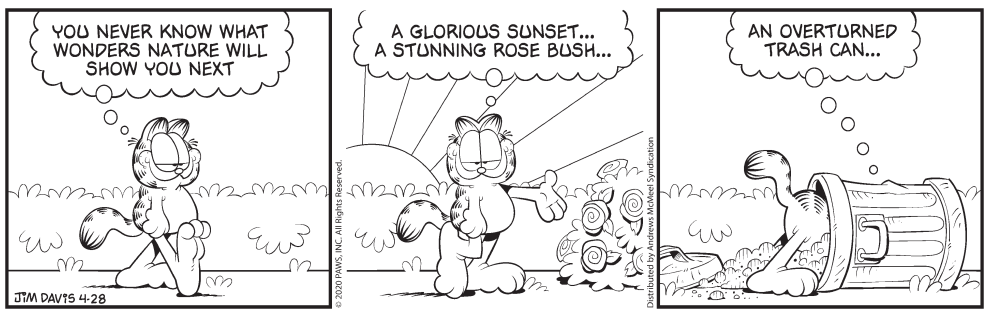
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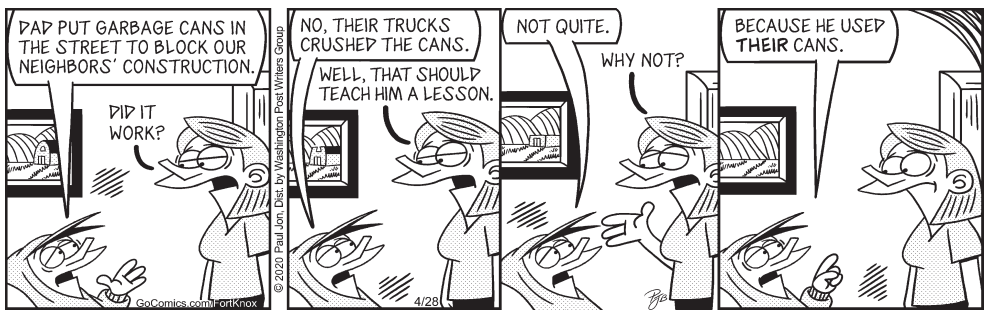
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NOT QUITE.
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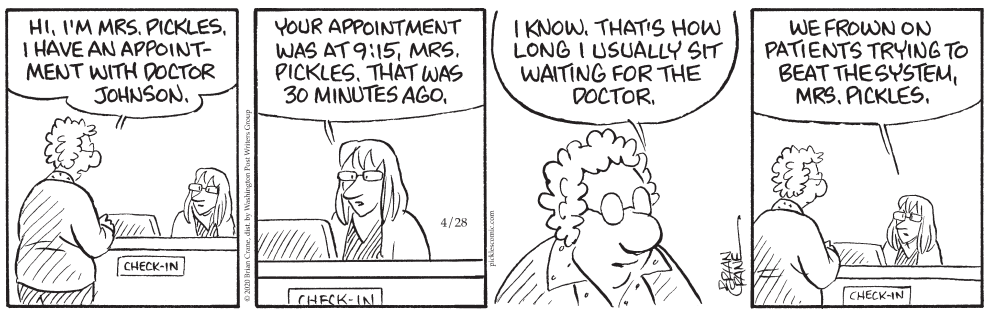
BECAUSE HE USED THEIR CANS.

PICKLES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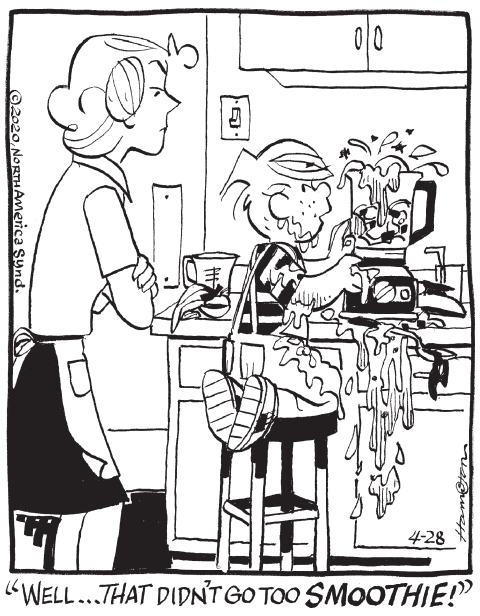

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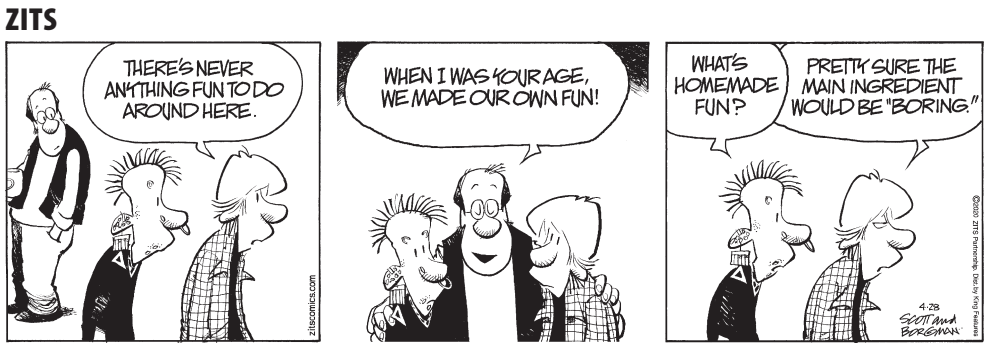
THERE'S NEVER ANYTHING FUN TO DO AROUND HERE.
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WHAT'S HOMEMADE FUN?
PRETTY SURE THE MAIN INGREDIENT WOULD BE "BORING."
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Dousing old flames

ANNIE **LANE**
DEAR ANNIE

Dear Annie: In 1966, "Linda" and I met at church one night. I was "head over heels" in love with her immediately, and I believed then that she was, too. We were in our early 20s. I was in officer candidate school at the time. I gave her an engagement ring after we dated for a few months. I thought all was well. But a month or so later, she returned it. I think her mother nixed the wedding plans. I always suspected I wasn't a strong enough Baptist for her family.

Even though the engagement was off, we continued to see each other. I had a permanent change of station to Vietnam. While I was there, she sent me a "Dear John" letter, saying that she'd always love me as a person but she'd met someone else and they were engaged. I was devastated.

When I returned from Vietnam, I ended up meeting my wife. We started a family. Fifteen years later, after my father died, I got a condolence phone call from Linda, and we've kept up a correspondence ever since then, with phone calls and emails. To this day, I answer her emails, even though I sometimes wait a month or two to write back.

My dilemma is that I believe it wrong to be exchanging mail with an old flame. My wife is aware that we keep in touch and that we used to be an item, but she dismisses it as no threat. She thinks it's common enough to catch up now and then with old romantic partners, especially when a few decades have gone by. Still, I erase Linda's emails every time, as though I've something to hide.

One part of me says: "Wake up! She threw you under the bus. Get over it like millions of others." The other part hangs on to the illusion of love, of being in love — which is a sweet memory, don't you think? Hardly a day goes by that certain things don't remind me of this past. And she has said the same. Sometimes, it is anger and resentment of being rejected and feeling that I wasn't good enough, and other times it is of that broken-hearted feeling of how much I loved her.

I get along just fine with my current wife, but the memories of the past passion from 50 years ago are always lingering under the surface. I wish Linda would end it and set me free. Or I wish I could end it. Annie, what would you do? — Burning Desire

Dear Burning: I think you already know what I'm going to say. But if a kick in the pants is what you're looking for, I'm happy to provide it. So here goes.

Cut it out. No more emails, no more phone calls. Exes can be friends when both parties have moved on. That is clearly not the case here. To continue this emotional affair is to risk your 40-year marriage — and for what? The "illusion of love," as you put it. That is all that Linda ever offered. Redirect your attention to bringing some passion back into your marriage. That is the real deal.

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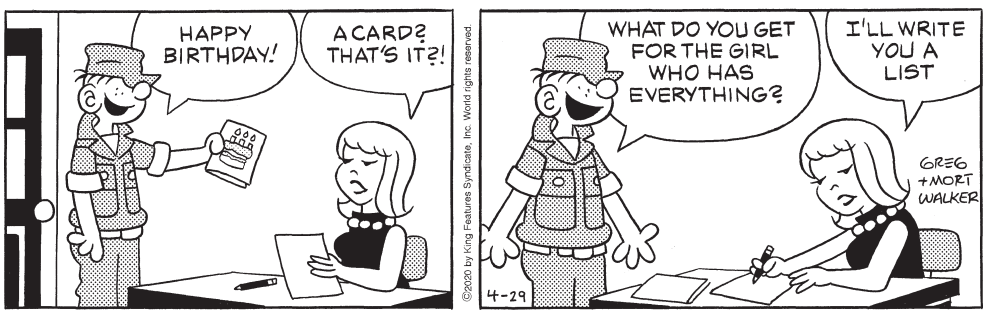
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
A CARD? THAT'S IT?!
WHAT DO YOU GET FOR THE GIRL WHO HAS EVERYTHING?
I'LL WRITE YOU A LIST
GREG + MORT WALKER
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DAG, DID I EVER SHOW YOU THIS OLD BASEBALL THAT BABE RUTH AUTOGRAPHED?
WOW! BABE RUTH'S AUTOGRAPH!
THE OLD FELLA WHO GAVE IT TO ME TOLD ME THE BABE HIMSELF SIGNED IT FOR HIM
BABE RUTH HAD A RED MAGIC MARKER?!
PROBABLY...THEY DO SAY THE BABE WAS QUITE A CHARACTER
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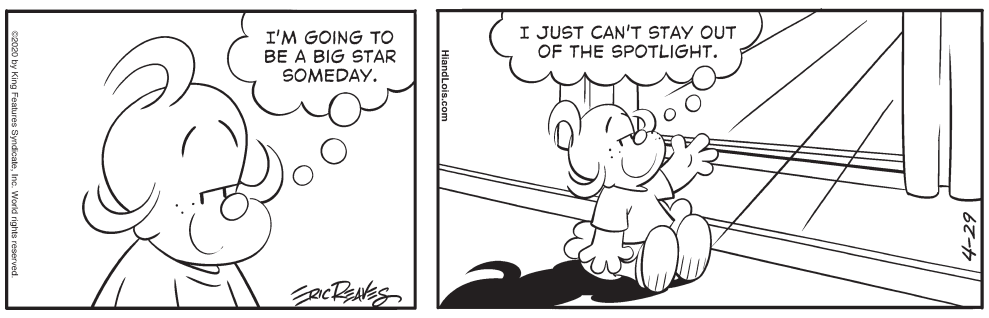
I'M GOING TO BE A BIG STAR SOMEDAY.
I JUST CAN'T STAY OUT OF THE SPOTLIGHT.
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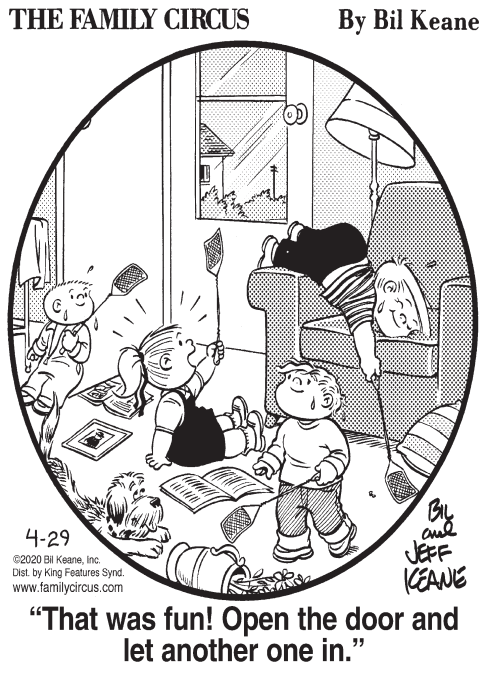

"That was fun! Open the door and let another one in."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU DIDN'T GET YOUR MONEY'S WORTH, GEORGE? THE CONCERT WAS FREE!"

BABY BLUES

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU TOOK MOM'S PHONE WHILE SHE'S IN THE SHOWER!
IT'S SO SNEAKY! SO WRONG!
IT'S LIKE SOMETHING I WOULD DO!
THAT CUTS DEEP.
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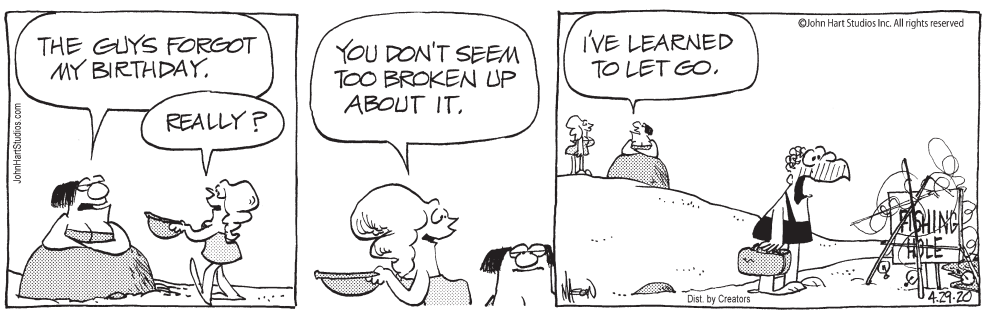

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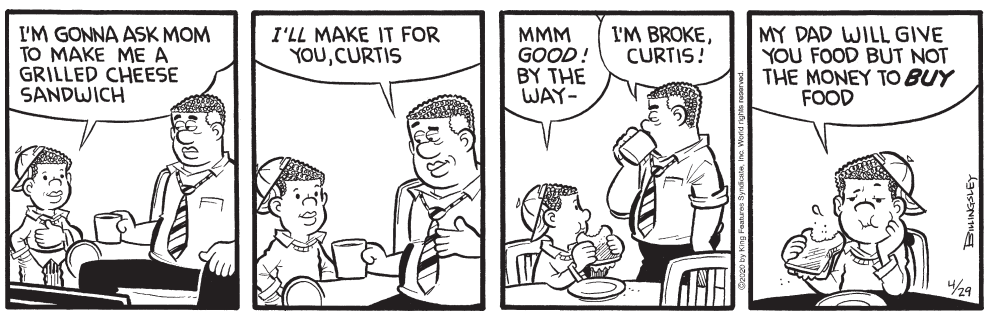
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I'LL MAKE IT FOR YOU, CURTIS
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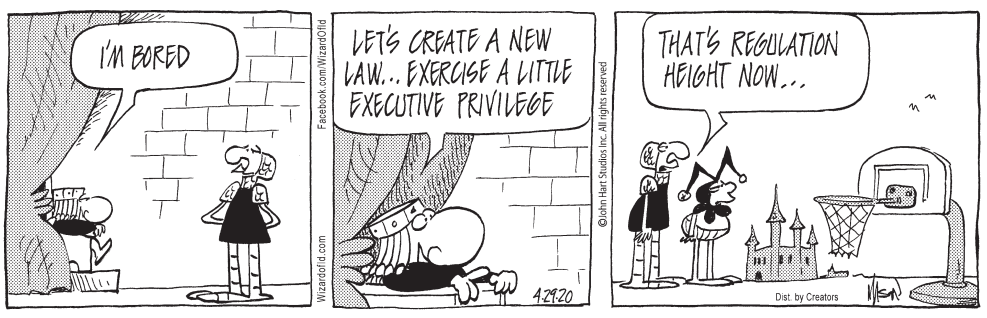

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ANY PLANS FOR THE WEEKEND, JEREMY?
"WEEKEND"? THAT'S THREE DAYS AWAY!
MY PLANS ARE MADE ON THE FLY, WHICH GIVES ME A MORE DYNAMIC AND THRILLING SOCIAL LIFE.
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SATURDAY NIGHT
IF THE DYNAMISM AND THRILLS ARE TOO MUCH, YOU CAN JOIN YOUR MOM AND ME FOR KAHTZEE.
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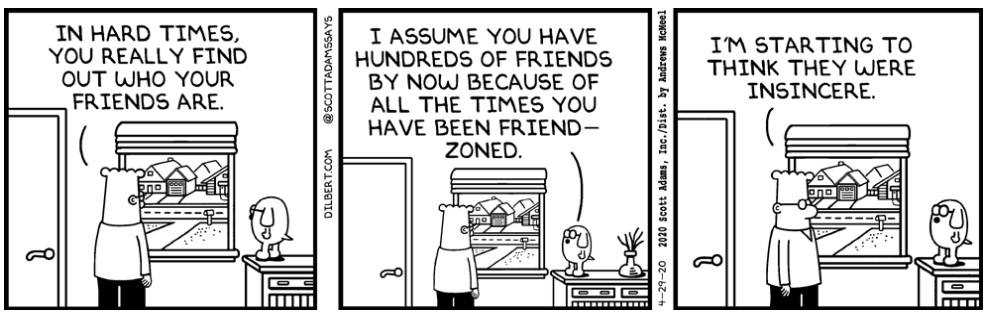
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I ASSUME YOU HAVE HUNDREDS OF FRIENDS BY NOW BECAUSE OF ALL THE TIMES YOU HAVE BEEN FRIEND-ZONED.
I'M STARTING TO THINK THEY WERE INSINCERE.
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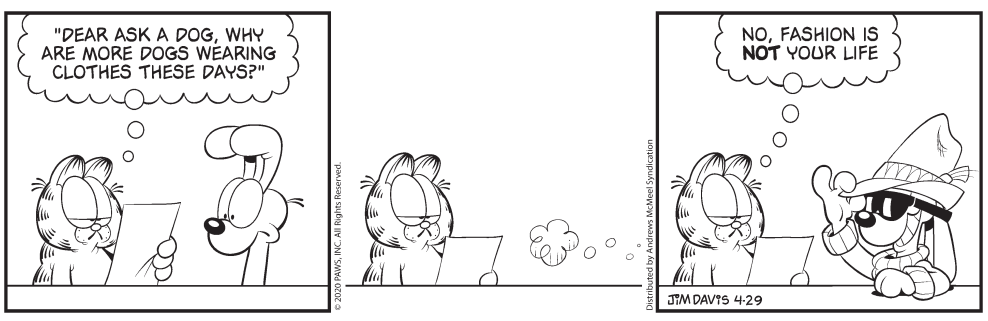
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FORT KNOX

YOU NEED TO LET THE NEIGHBORS REMODEL!
ARE YOU KIDDING??
(CAN'T) RESIST
THEY TOOK UP ALL THE STREET PARKING!
THEN NICELY ASK THEM TO STOP.
FINE, I WILL.
I ♡ RULZ
REPORT for DOODY
WITH A MEGAPHONE AND AIRHORN!
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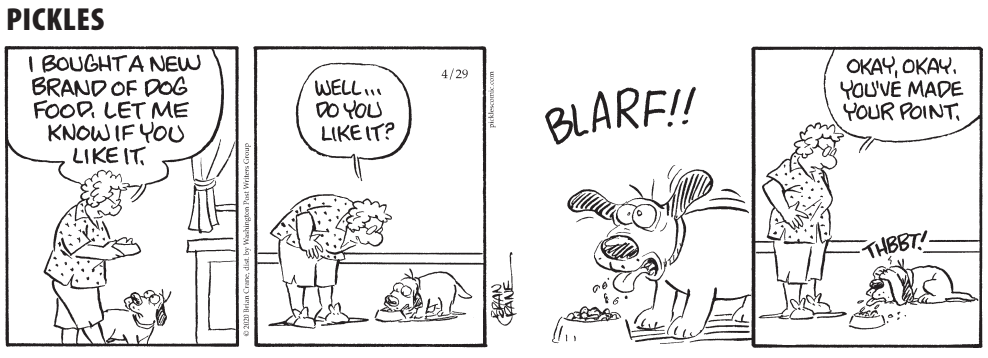
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BLARF!!
OKAY, OKAY. YOU'VE MADE YOUR POINT.
THBBT!
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Modeling jealousy or gratitude?

ANNIE **LANE**
DEAR ANNIE

Dear Annie: Here comes another summer, and I always enjoy taking my children to a local amusement park. It is a nice park, but can you tell me how to explain to my children why we have to wait in line for, let's say, 30 minutes or more to get on a ride, and then they witness others coming up in a separate line and getting right on? It is called "fast pass." They are catering to the rich because it costs a lot more to get this option.

Also, they have "preferred parking," which costs even more than the ridiculous price of $20 to park in the "normal" parking lots. So now our children also witness us walking for a considerable distance while the privileged get to park very close to the entrance.

Let me know of a good solution, if there is one. Thank you! — Ticked Off

Dear Ticked Off: One solution might be to go with another family and split the cost difference of the preferred parking.

But the real lesson here is that, yes, there are going to be people who can afford preferred parking and have an easier time at an amusement park. Some can afford expensive seats at a sporting event or on an airplane, and others can drive fancy cars. However, there are some people who cannot afford to take their children to an amusement park. The bottom line is that rather than worrying about explaining inequalities or perceived slights, focus on modeling behavior you'd like your children to emulate.

If you show them that you are bitter about others getting to cut the line, they will learn to be bitter rather than to be grateful for the opportunity to enjoy a day at an amusement park with family. If you use those 30 minutes in line to appreciate time with your kids and show them your excitement for the upcoming ride, you might be surprised by how much fun you all have.

Dear Annie: The poem in your column, "And the people stayed home," was a precious gem.

I am an occupational therapist now serving my kids, their families and staff, as part of distance learning in our public schools.

Your column was a grand slam in terms of what I think people need right now: reassurance, hope, stability and empowerment. I will definitely share this column with others! Thank you, and bless you. — Absolutely Wonderful

Dear Wonderful: Thank you so much for your kind words. I felt the exact same way when I read that poem. Wishing everyone safety and love.

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Madison High School's Cub Field has been stripped of its playing surface.

Construction begins on Cub Field

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

The Cincinnati-based Motz Group began its second artificial turf project in the county when it started construction on Madison High School's Cub Field last week. The Motz Group was already working on the field Hanover College's Alumni Stadium last month, refurbishing the same field it had originally installed in 2008. This year marks the first time that Madison will have an artificial surface and will be the sixth school in the Hoosier Hills Conference to make the move to fieldturf, just in time for the Cubs' final season in the league. The $1.3 million project is expected to take three months and according the athletic director Joe Bronkella, should be ready for Madison's season opener Aug. 21 against Paoli.

Madison High School's Cub Field has been stripped of its playing surface.

David Campbell

Colts find new potential weapons in draft

BY MICHAEL MAROT
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INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts found some new playmakers in this year's draft.

They may have picked up their quarterback of the future, too.

General manager Chris Ballard stuck to the game plan, using four of his first five picks on offensive players. He took a big receiver, Michael Pittman Jr., and a powerful running back, Jonathan Taylor, in the second round before adding strong-armed quarterback Jacob Eason in the fourth round Saturday.

Ballard made one thing clear: He would not reach for a long-term successor to Andrew Luck.

"Look, we spent all this time lining the board up and we don't force it," Ballard said Saturday. "We put these guys at the right spot for our team and Jacob was there. That's why we took him."

Eason fell to the Colts at No. 122 overall. Next season's expectations will be low. He'll spend time learning the playbook, developing relationships with new teammates and serving as understudy to Philip Rivers and backup quarterback Jacoby Brissett.

But after starting Saturday with three quarterbacks on the roster and none signed beyond 2020, Ballard thought Eason was worth a gamble — even as critics debated Eason's work ethic and accountability.

"My job is to go in there, prove those stories are false and go in there and learn from a great coaching staff and get in there with an outstanding team," he said. "I'm going to go in there and prove myself as a workhorse and a leader and a good football player. They can say all they want but the truth of the matter is I'm going to go in there and prove them wrong."

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— Jacob Eason
Colts draft pick

HELPING HANDS

Ballard moved quickly to find offensive weapons.

With no first-round pick, Ballard used the No. 34 selection on the 6-foot-4 Pittman, whose father won a Super Bowl with Tampa Bay, and traded up to No. 41 to get the record-breaking Taylor.

Pittman gives the Colts the big receiver they wanted playing opposite Pro Bowler T.Y. Hilton and with speedy Parris Campbell. Pittman was one of four FBS players to catch more than 100 passes last season and was one of three finalists for the Biletnikoff Award.

Taylor is the only FBS player to top the 6,000-yard mark in three seasons and the only one with 12 200-yard games. He also won the Doak Walker Award in 2018 and 2019.

The Colts added another big receiver, Dezmon Patmon of Washington State, in the sixth round.

MORE OFFENSE

The Colts also added depth along the offensive line with the selection of Danny Pinter in the fifth round.

He played tight end until two years ago at nearby Ball State before moving to tackle. He even caught a TD pass. And now he'll chase his lifelong dream likely playing guard or center with his home-state team.

"I've lived here my whole life, I have played football here my whole life," Pinter said. "To have the opportunity to stay here and stay around a bunch of people who helped me get to this point is really, I can't put it into words."

SECONDARY DANCE

When Ballard wasn't chasing offensive players, he worked on the secondary.

He took safety Julian Blackmon of Utah in the third round and added linebacker Jordan Glasgow of Michigan in the sixth. Ballard also traded cornerback Quincy Wilson to the New York Jets and used that sixth-rounder on cornerback Isaiah Rodgers of Massachusetts.

At 6-1, 226 pounds, Glasgow could become a hybrid safety for the Colts. For now, though, the Colts will keep him at linebacker and hope he can excel on special teams.

Meanwhile, Blackmon will continue recovering after tearing an ACL during the Pac-12 title game.

"I had a lot of contact with the coaches," Blackmon said. "They told me, 'Hey, don't be surprised if we pick you earlier than what people expect. We don't care that you're hurt.' And here I am, a Colt."

THE CIRCUS

Ballard knows just how crazy the scramble for undrafted rookies is in a normal year. This year is different.

"It's fun, but it's always a circus," Ballard said. "I actually told our guys I think it's got a chance to be better because we're all on this Zoom call and we're all going to be right in front of each other. Usually what happens at the office is everybody gets spread out, we're looking for coaches, you're recruiting players, but we're all going to be in one spot."

A look back: Kentucky Derby, wild-card rematches

BY STEPHEN HAWKINS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

With the national sports calendar still pretty much on hold because of the coronavirus pandemic, following a short reprieve last week thanks to an unusual NFL draft, The Associated Press looks at some of the sporting events that would have taken place the week of April 27 to May 3:

RUN FOR THE ROSES: The first Saturday in May usually marks the first leg of horse racing's Triple Crown. But the Kentucky Derby won't be run in May for the first time since 1945, instead pushed back four months to Labor Day weekend. Churchill Downs will conduct a virtual running of the Kentucky Derby on Saturday that will feature computer simulations of the sport's 13 Triple Crown winners.

MLB: A pair of wild rematches. The Washington Nationals started their run to a World Series title last October by rallying with three runs in the eighth inning of a 4-3 win at home in the National League wild-card game against Milwaukee. The Nationals were supposed to play a three-game series in Milwaukee this week.

The two teams that met in the American League wild-card game last season, the Rays and Athletics, were scheduled to play four games in Oakland, where Tampa Bay won 5-1 last October to advance to the AL Division Series against Houston.

TRIVIA BREAK: The last two Triple Crown-winning horses were Justify in 2018 and American Pharoah in 2015, both trained by Bob Baffert. Only once were there Triple Crown winners in back-to-back years. Name the horses and the years. (Answer at bottom).

BOXING: Six months after moving up to light heavyweight to become a four-weight world champion, Canelo Alvarez was supposed to be back in a ring in Las Vegas. He was going to put his WBA super middleweight title on the line against WBO champ Billy Joe Saunders.

NBA: Some teams could have already been set for the second round of the playoffs, while others might have been trying to wrap up first-round series.

NHL: The Stanley Cup playoffs would be in the conference semifinals, with eight teams still on the ice.

PGA TOUR: Max Homa, who twice before lost his PGA Tour card, would have been defending his only PGA Tour victory. He won by three strokes in last year's Wells Fargo Championship in Charlotte.

NASCAR: Martin Truex Jr. got his first Cup victory at Dover on a Monday in 2007, and won at the Monster Mile in Delaware during another rain-delayed Monday race last spring,

TRIVIA ANSWER: Seattle Slew won the Triple Crown in 1977, and Affirmed won the Kentucky Derby, Preakness Stakes and Belmont Stakes the following year.

Two-win Bengals break with past, seek fresh start

BY JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Bengals promoted Zac Taylor's hiring as a "New Dey" in franchise history, but his first season was as bad as it's been — a 2-14 record and team-record 11 straight losses. Year Two will bring something new.

New quarterback. New receiver. New generation of Bengals getting a chance to break free of futility.

During the three days of the NFL draft, Cincinnati loaded up on players who can replace aging stars in the next couple of years and take the franchise in a different direction.

"I feel like we're starting something new," said offensive lineman Hakeem Adeniji, taken in the sixth round. "I think in a few years here you're going to see the tide's turned. I think we're going to be a team that shocks somebody."

For now, they'll be a team that's at least interesting.

The previous time the Bengals had such a notable draft overhaul was 2011, when they brought in Andy Dalton to replace Carson Palmer and added receiver A.J. Green.

The Andy-to-A.J. combo led Cincinnati to five straight playoff appearances, all of them ending in first-round losses.

Picking at the start of each round this weekend, the Bengals zeroed in on players who were leaders on top college teams.

"You're not just trying to win games, you're trying to win championships," Taylor said. "So ultimately you've got to be thinking long term with the people you have to have that championship mindset and are willing to work harder than any other team in the league. We just feel we've added the right people."

The changes go beyond their thrown-and-catch tandem. They also overhauled a defense that finished last in the league in 2018 and near the bottom again last season. They took three linebackers in the draft after overhauling the secondary in free agency.

"This has been a proud place when it comes to defense for a long time, and it hasn't been that way the last few years," second-year coordinator Lou Anarumo said. "Some of the players are getting older.

"Our job is to create competition and then the best guys will bubble up and play, and we're doing that with both free agency and the draft."

Some takeaways from the Bengals' draft:

CONTENT WITH THE O-LINE

Cincinnati's most glaring weakness last season was the offensive line, which couldn't protect Dalton or open holes for running back Joe Mixon. The Bengals didn't take a lineman until the sixth round (Adeniji), an indication they're satisfied with how things stand.

Left tackle Jonah Williams — their first-round pick last season — has recovered from a shoulder injury that sidelined him his rookie year. The Bengals also signed Cowboys guard Xavier Su'a-Filo and released left tackle Cordy Glenn and right guard John Miller.

DALTON STILL IN STRIPES

One of the Bengals' next decisions is whether they keep Dalton for the final year on his contract to break in Burrow. Taylor declined to say whether the Bengals got any trade offers for Dalton during the draft process.

"Now that the draft's over, we'll let the dust settle and talk through it," Taylor said.

NOW WHAT WITH A.J.?

Green wanted a multi-year contract extension and bristled at the franchise tag for one year. Although the sides can continue negotiating, the addition of Higgins makes Green less critical for Cincinnati's long-term plans.